

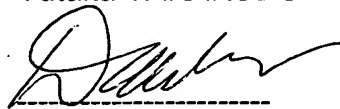
REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the herein contained amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. By this amendment, claim 5 has been amended to add - -is- - to correct a minor grammatical error. Applicant respectfully submits that the entry of the present amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 since it does not require an additional search or examination, since it is made merely for clarification to correct a grammatical error and since no new matter is contained therein. Thus, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to exercise his discretion and approve the present amendment for entry under the provision 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding the present amendment, or this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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